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SOUTHLAND CATHOLICS.

"Wisconsin has more Catholics within it than eleven of the Southern States," is a statement now making the rounds of the Catholic papers. The truth of this has been too fairly established by investigation for us to make any denial; but one fact can be relied upon, the Catholics of the Southern States are very devout and staunch. One can not understand why the numbers do not increase more rapidly when we consider the untiring, faithful Catholic the Southerner is. The priests who have been pioneers in these States need no memorial tablets to recall their virtues. They live again in the Catholic families who never tire of relating to their children and grandchildren the heroic deeds of the priests who rode the wildest roads, carrying the Blessed Sacrament to the dying, or how they cared for their scattered parishioners with constant care, giving their lives to win their charges to the straight and narrow way.

The foregoing is a just and pleasing tribute that appeared in last week's Syracuse Catholic Sun, and to which any words of commendation are not needed.

HAS CHANCE YET.

President Wilson has yet the chance that would prevent further war complications. The time is propitious for him to issue a proclamation warning citizens of the United States against taking risks on any of the vessels of the warring European nations and declaring that this Government will be responsible for neither loss of life or property when such proclamation is unheeded. This was the course England pursued at the outbreak of the war between Russia and Japan. Today England would pay big money to purchasable Americans to board her vessels, not caring what disaster such acts might bring upon our country. It is the duty of Americans to shun the vessels of the belligerent nations.

BEGIN AT HOME.

Taking his customary fling at the Catholic church and all Catholics in particular a writer of a local Baptist weekly speaks of the immorality of the South American countries, illegitimate births, and says that Romanized countries lead in illiteracy, etc. This gentleman has evidently overlooked the greatest evil of the century, namely the divorce evil, and his attention is called to the following:

In Catholic Ireland in five years there has been granted but one divorce to 4,500,000 population (Congressman Randall). In Italy, Spain, Mexico, Cuba and Brazil there is no divorce at all. In Austria no Catholics can be divorced, but non-Catholics can. Champ Clark, Speaker of the House, remarked that, broadly speaking, he can estimate the number of divorces in a State by first finding out the number of Catholics—the more Catholics the less divorces. In this country more than a million divorces have been granted the last twenty years and one out of every twelve marriages ends in divorce. Only pagan Japan has more divorces. In Chicago alone there is, in proportion to population, sixteen times as many divorces as in London, a divorce in the latter city costing about \$400, while in Chicago they can be had for less than the price of a Gillette safety razor. (See Judge Baldwin's figures in Birmingham Herald, October 15, 1914.)

PRESIDENT'S OPPORTUNITY.

What Mexico wants is a government that will govern. She wants a government that will keep its hands off the Catholic church, the church of the people, and will second the church's efforts to preach and teach respect for the commandments of God and the laws and authority of the State. The electoral franchise should be confined to men who possess a certain income, or a certain quantity of crop-growing lands. The means of owning land should be placed within the reach of men willing to work it. And every man outside of those entitled to law should be compelled under penalty to surrender all arms and military equipments that have to a government official in a given period. With investments, protection of working people, absolute

civil and religious liberty, and schools where the lessons of religion and morality are impressed on the minds and hearts of the pupils, Mexico will rapidly become regenerated, and her people will learn to appreciate the blessings of law and order, and to distinguish true liberty from the license of lawlessness, irreligion and disorder. President Wilson has a great opportunity to win the gratitude of Mexico and of civilization by establishing and sustaining a strong and just government in that racked and torn country; but he can never accomplish it by choosing his instruments from those who have done the racking and the tearing.

NOT A MOB.

The lynching of Leon Frank, the convicted Georgia murderer, has been denounced by the press in all the Northern States. It was a crime; but it was no worse than hundreds of other such crimes that have been committed even in Northern States. With the True Voice, we never believed that the nation-wide agitation in favor of Frank was wise. The plea that he had not a fair trial was an unproved assumption. The forces behind the agitation only intensified the feeling against him. It was not a mob that lynched Frank. That was the work of a determined, cool-headed set of men who were convinced of his guilt. They will not be punished. They knew that when they planned their ghastly deed.

MODERATION.

"Let your moderation appear in all things." Truly a wholesome text in these days of the strenuous life, pointed out by the Catholic Citizen. There are many more business failures because of over-ambitious ventures than through any other cause; more health bankruptcies because of over strain than through epidemic or contagion; more life failures because of intemperate habits than through accident, war and famine combined. We must know our resources and not get beyond them. We must know our strength, and not overtax it. We must keep our scheme of life well within the boundaries of good sense and wise moderation. Parades are being lost every day by going over the line where grows the forbidden tree. Stop short. Let there be a wholesome halt. Don't be ruthless. Don't be rash.

CHURCH HAS FAILED.

A severe indictment of the Anglican church was made recently in a sermon preached by the Rev. W. A. Collison in Liverpool. Coming from a clergyman of the Established Church, the declaration that the English nation as a whole is practically without religion is sufficiently startling. "What we call the Church of England," he said, "has been weighed in the balance and found wanting. She has utterly failed to shepherd the people committed to her care. The nation as a whole is practically without religion. The extreme poor in our cities know as much about religion as you and I know about bimetalism. Twenty-two million people in England go to no place of worship every Sunday. Parishes of 8,000 people have accommodation for 800 people."

Reports of disturbances at the close of the registration period in England do not indicate that the average Englishman wants to be a soldier. The working classes seem to have concluded that this is not their war. Instead of enlisting they are striking for better wages. We believe that conscription in Great Britain is now inevitable. It is the last hope of getting the Englishman to fight.

If your name is not on the list of pewholders, how is the pastor to know that you are a member of his parish? This is important in case of emergency.

All reports relating to the Arabic came from London, censored before being sent out. The real facts have not yet been received.

FOR VACANT SEE.

Catholics gossip is associating the names of Bishop Lillis, of Kansas City; Bishop Dunne, of Peoria; Bishop Muldoon, of Rockford; Bishop Carroll, of Montana; Bishop Byrne, of Nashville, and Archbishop Kennedy, of Rome with the succession to the see of Chicago.

CASE FOR THE JUNIOR ORDER.

Owing to the fact that the Junior Order is the most prominent factor in the Fraternal day celebration, that organization comprising three-fourths of the parade (only three other orders announced as affiliating), and the orator of the day being the National Councillor of the order, the following declaration of principles, taken from the order's advertising matter, is hardly in agreement with the resolutions of the Baptist leaders previous to the last election. This is called to the attention of the leaders, who may have overlooked the violation of their principles, which they say "they will strenuously resist."

Junior Order Preamble.

We declare it to be a fundamental principle of free government that every citizen possesses the liberty of worshiping God according to the dictates of his own conscience and pledge ourselves to assist in protecting all in the exercise of that liberty, BUT WE ARE UTTERLY OPPOSED AND MOST STRENUOUSLY RESIST THE INTERFERENCE OF ANY CHURCH, OF WHATSOEVER NATURE OR NAME, WITH THE TEMPORAL AFFAIRS OF OUR COUNTRY, OR THE UNION OF CHURCH AND STATE UNDER WHATSOEVER GUISE.

WHEREAS, The dominant issue at present in Kentucky politics is State-wide prohibition; and
WHEREAS, The number of Baptist voters in the State exceeds all Protestant voters combined; and
WHEREAS, If these Baptist voters are aroused they can carry the State in favor of this dominant issue; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we pledge our support and urge our Baptist papers of the State to use their editorial columns until the August primary election in favor of those candidates pledged to the support of State-wide prohibition.

Thos. H. Plemons, President.
N. T. Barnes, General Manager.

SOCIETY.

Miss Annie McGill is spending two weeks in New York City.

Miss Julia Mullen has returned from an enjoyable visit to Chicago.

Mrs. John T. Lee has had as her guest Miss Lee Ryan, of Shelbyville.

Miss Anita Cronan spent the week-end visiting friends in Frankfort.

Miss Mae Adams Lincoln has gone to Paris to visit Miss Elizabeth Brown.

Mrs. Raymond Barrett was the guest of relatives the past week at Prestonia.

Miss Ina Kelly, of Clifton, was the guest of relatives in Owensboro the past week.

Mrs. John J. Flynn, of Beechmont, was last week the guest of relatives in St. Louis.

Miss Mary O'Hern, of Oakdale, is spending two weeks with friends in Indianapolis.

Miss Mary Brennan has gone to Niagara Falls, Detroit and Toronto for two weeks.

Misses Julia and Mary LaPaille are home from an extended trip through the East.

Mrs. John Edelen and daughter, Miss Catherine, have returned from a visit to Mrs. Flora Smith.

Mrs. Robert Peake spent the past week in New Haven visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Hogan.

Ex-Mayor Charles F. Grainger has been sojourning at Saratoga and attending the races there.

Miss Lula Mattingly has returned from a visit to her cousin, Miss Laura Laswell, at New Haven.

Mrs. Susan Mullaney, 1634 South Sixth street, returned this week from a month's stay at Hastings, Neb.

Miss Mary Louise Murphy returned Sunday from a two weeks' visit to Chicago and Milwaukee.

Miss Katherine Meagher has been visiting in Frankfort, the guest of her cousin, Miss Estelle Meagher.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gorman, of South Louisville, have been spending two weeks at Martinsville, Ind.

Walter A. Wunderlich and Rev. James Whalen were among last week's arrivals at Grayson Springs.

Hon. John Drecher and D. J. Duane were among the visitors registered at Frankfort last week.

Mrs. Harry B. Pierce, of Atlanta, is here on a visit as the guest of Mrs. James Pury, 613 Zane street.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Brennan and family, of South Louisville, are home from a trip through the East.

Misses Marie Farrell, Margaret Farrell and Esther Farrell have gone to Cedar Point, Ohio, to spend three weeks.

Mrs. Harry T. Esterle has been spending the past two weeks at Ocean Springs, New Orleans and Biloxi.

Mrs. Mary Scanlon, Third avenue, had as her guest this week her cousin, Miss Anna Shannon, of Lexington.

Mrs. Mike A. Wall and daughter, Miss Evelyn Wall, have been spending the week with relatives in Indianapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Brennan and children have returned from a trip to Atlantic City and other Eastern points.

Misses Margaret A. Lucey and Lucille E. Wellman have returned after a visit to Mrs. M. J. Sullivan in Indianapolis.

John M. Casey and son Dave, of Shelbyville, were here Saturday, en route to Detroit, where they went on a business trip.

Mrs. J. M. Farrell and daughter, Miss Alice Farrell, and Miss Mary Brennan have gone to New York and Atlantic City.

Mrs. Patrick Anshro, 513 Illinois avenue, Jeffersonville, had as her guest the past week H. C. Minnan, of Memphis, Tenn.

Misses Elizabeth and Hanna Belle Graham, of Martins Ferry, Ohio, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Hogan on Christy avenue.

MEMORARE.

Remember, holy Mary,
'Twas never heard or known
That any one who sought thee
And made to thee his moan,
That any one who hastened
For shelter to thy care,
Was ever yet abandoned
And left to his despair.
No, ever Blessed Virgin,
Most merciful, most kind,
No sinner cries for pity
Who does not pity find.

And so to thee, my mother,
With filial faith I call;
For Jesus, dying, gave thee
As mother to us all.
To thee, O Queen of Virgins,
O mother meek, to thee
I run with trustful fondness,
Like child to mother's knee.
Oh, scorn not my petitions,
But patiently give ear,
And help me, O my mother,
Most loving and most dear.
—Sacred Heart Review.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS.

Late News That Will Interest Members Here and Elsewhere.

Several tickets will be in the field and a lively election is anticipated in Indianapolis.

Knights of Columbus day attracted a record breaking attendance at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

A meeting was held Sunday in Indianapolis for the purpose of organizing the Daughters of Isabella.

Judge Mullins, of Denver, directed the conferring of the third degree on a large class on Sunday at Leadville.

There were 122,958 admissions recorded at the Panama Exposition on K. of C. day. This was a record breaker.

James C. Rogers, one of the pioneer members of the order in Kentucky, is a candidate for Mayor of Lexington.

One hundred candidates will receive the three degrees at the State-wide celebration of Columbus day at Hot Springs on October 12.

North Dakota and the Northwest are extremely interested in the fourth degree exemplification that will take place at Grand Forks on October 10.

Denver Council had one of the biggest celebrations of the year Thursday night, when Congressman Dan Griffin, of Brooklyn, exemplified the third degree.

With visitors from all parts of the country present the Knights of Milwaukee laid the cornerstone of their new club house Sunday. Gov. Philipp was one of the speakers.

The Ancient Order and Ladies' Auxiliary of San Francisco intend giving a celebration on California admission day, September 9, that will far surpass any previous festival of the order.

RECENT DEATHS.

The funeral of Joseph Nichter, beloved husband of Mary Nichter, 644 Jacob street, was held Tuesday morning from St. Martin's church, of which he was for many years a regular attendant. For years he was with the American Tobacco Company. Besides his wife he leaves twelve children and eleven grandchildren.

Wednesday morning the last sad rites took place over the remains of Michael Vollmer, of 1910 Charles street, for thirty-four years a resident of this city, at St. Vincent de Paul's church. His wife, Mrs. Bina Vollmer; four daughters, Mrs. Martin Krebs, Mrs. Ed. Hermann, Miss Anna Vollmer and Sister Delphine, of the Ursuline Order, and a son, Jacob M. Vollmer, survive him.

Friends and relatives were deeply grieved when they learned of the death of Pierce P. Gross, son of Pierce and Mary Gross, at his home, 618 East P street, Sunday afternoon. He was twenty-two years old, and besides his parents two brothers and a sister survive him. The funeral took place Tuesday morning from St. Philip Neri's church, Rev. Father Ackermann conducting the solemn services.

The funeral of William H. Grunenthal, aged thirty-four, whose death resulted from injuries sustained when he was struck by a bursting pulley at the Grainger foundry, took place Thursday morning from St. Vincent de Paul's church. With his wife, Mrs. Gertrude Grunenthal, he resided at 904 Samuel street. Besides his wife two brothers survive him.

A cloud of gloom overshadowed the neighborhood in which she lived last week when the sad news was announced that Mrs. Annie Brady, wife of the late Harry Brady, had passed from this life. Mrs. Brady is survived by three sons, William, Harry and Charles Brady, and a sister, Mrs. Rickie Snyder, 1824 South Second street. The funeral was held Saturday morning from St. Louis Bertrand's church.

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Hertel, an aged and respected resident of this city, was held Tuesday afternoon from her residence, 1427 Quincy street, the interment being in St. Louis cemetery. Mrs. Hertel is survived by five daughters, Mrs. Louis Borntraeger, Mrs. Benjamin Otte, Mrs. Bery Whitehaus, Mrs. George Leuz, Miss Margaret Hertel; two sons, Frank and John Hertel, all of Louisville, and twelve grandchildren. She also leaves three sisters and two brothers, who reside in Indiana.

St. Patrick's parish mourns the passing of Mrs. Mary McCafferty, who has been identified with the church for many years. Mrs. McCafferty was found dead in bed Tuesday morning at her home, 1811 Ocean street. She was married twice, her first husband being the late Patrick Boyle. Besides her husband, John McCafferty, she is survived by five sons, Thomas, Harry, John, James H. and Patrol.

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rifle and went to the church where he held the two men, who were ransacking the building, until officers arrived.
SURELY INSANE.
Some fanatic, probably insane, went into the Denver Cathedral on Tuesday of last week and tore down all the name signs over the confessionals, leaving the fragments on the floor. It is presumed that the vandalism was the work of a person inflamed by anti-Catholic literature, and who wished either to show his disapproval of confession or of the title "Father."

EUCHE AND LOTTO.

A euche and lotto party has been announced for next Wednesday afternoon and evening by the people of St. Francis of Rome church, Payne and Cavewood, for the benefit of the Altar Society. Many handsome and useful articles will be awarded, and all who attend will have a chance on the gold piece, the capital offering.

PRIEST CAPTURES LOOTERS.

The Rev. J. Cronin, rector of the Holy Rosary church at Rosalia, Wash., captured two burglars in the church last Thursday night. The priest was asleep in the parish house when aroused by a light flickering in a window of the church. He took a